The First Troop of His Majesties Horse-Guards,

Commanded by his Grace

Christopher Duke of *Albemarle*, Colonel and Captain.

Lieutenant-Colonel *Edward Villers*,
Lieutenant-Colonel *Edmond Ashton*,
Lieutenant-Colonel *Edward Griffin*,
Lieutenant-Colonel *Richard Bynns*, } Lieutenants.

Major Sir *Walter Clarges* Baronet, - - - Cornet.

Major *John* Lord *Berkley*, - - - - - - Guydon.

Captain *Stephen Dyer*, - - - - - - - - Quartermaster.

Lieutenant *Lewis Billingsley*, - - - - -
Lieutenant *Robert Nowell*, - - - - - -
Lieutenant *John Baines*, - - - - - - -
Lieutenant *Anthony Lowe*, - - - - - - - } Brigadiers.

THe *Officers* of this *Troop* were richly Habited, either in *Coats* of Crimson Velvet Imbroidered with Gold and Silver, or of Fine Scarlet Cloth Imbroidered or Laced with Gold or Silver. or both intermixed.

They wore *Scarfs* about their Wastes, either of Gold or Silver *Network*, or *Crimson Taffata*, richly Fringed with Gold or Silver on the Edges, and with a deep Fringe of the same at the Ends.

Their *Cloaks* were also of Fine *Scarlet Cloth*, Imbroidered on the *Capes* and down before with Gold or Silver, or both intermixed.

In their *Hats* they wore *Tours* of *White Feathers*: Their *Housses* and *Holster-Caps*, being of *Crimson Velvet*, were richly Imbroidered and Embossed with Gold and Silver: And the *Manes*, *Cruppers* and *Tayls* of their *Horses* were garnished with large Knots of broad *Blew Taffata* Ribband.

The *Gentlemen* of this *Troop* (Two Hundred in Number) were all new Cloathed in *Coats* and *Cloaks* of *Scarlet Cloth*, lined with *Blew Chalon*: The Facings of their Sleeves, of the same Stuff, were laced about with a Figured *Galoon* of *Silver* (edged with *Gold*) two Inches broad: Their *Buttons* were of *Silver Plate*: They had each of them a good *Buff Coat*, and a large Pair of *Gantlet Gloves* of the same: And in their *Hats* (which were Black, and turned up on one Side, and edged about with a broad Silver Lace) they wore large *Blew* Knots of broad Taffata Ribband; which *BLEW* being the *Distinguishing Colour* of their Troop from the others, the Heads of their Horses were adorned with Knots of the like Ribband.

They were extraordinary well *Mounted*, and excellently well *Equipped*, having their *Housses* and *Holster-Caps* of *Scarlet Cloth*, Imbroidered with the *Kings Cipher* and *Crown* within a Border of Foliage.

Each of these *Gentlemen* was *Armed* and *Accoutred* with a good broad *Sword*, and large Buff *Shoulder-Belt*, a *Case* of *Pistols*, a *Carabine*, with a *Carabine Belt* of *Blew Velvet* five Inches broad, bordered with figur'd *Silver Galoon*, (edged with a narrow *Gold Lace*) in bredth two Inches, so that not above an Inch in bredth of the Velvet appeared.

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Their CORNET of *Crimson Damask* doubled, being Two Foot Six Inches flying, and Two Foot Three Inches on the Staff, was *Fringed* about, with *Silver* and *Gold* intermixed, Three Inches deep, with *Strings* and *Tassels* suitable; and in the middle was Imbroidered the *Kings Cipher*, Ensign'd with a large *Imperial Crown* of *Gold*, within a *Scroll* of *Silver*, whereon the *Kings Motto*, *viz.* DIEU ET MON DROIT, was wrought in *Black Silk*; and under the *Scroll* three lesser *Imperial Crowns* of *Gold* were Imbroidered.

The GUYDON was also of *Crimson Damask*, made up and Imbroidered in all respects as the *Cornet*, from which it differed only in Form, having a forked Tail, to the Points whereof from the Staff it was about a Yard and Three Inches flying.

The Place of *Parade* of this *First Troop*, being the *Piazza* of *Covent-Garden*, they marched from thence by *Whitehal* into *Kings-Street*; thence through St. *Stephens Alley* into *Chanel-Row*, and so through the *Woolstaple* into the *New-Palace-Yard*, where they were drawn up Three deep, with their Front to the Outside of the *Rail* next the *Thames*, Rangeing from the great *North-Door* of *Westminster-Hall*, cross the said *Palace-Yard* towards the *Clock-House* or *Tower*, being this Day Commanded by the Eldest *Lieutenant-Colonel*, by reason his Grace the *Duke* of *Albemarle*, *Colonel* and *Captain* of the said *Troop*, being a *Peer* of the *Realm*, was obliged to attend His MAJESTY in the *Procession*.

The First Troop of His Majesties Horse-Granadiers.

Captain *John Parker*,
Captain *Thomas Gay*, } Lieutenants.

Robert Harman,
Ambrose Tooth, } Sergeants.

William Chapman,
Walter Williams, } Corporals.

THe *Officers* of this *First Troop* of *Horse-Granadiers* were richly Habited and Equipped, agreeable in Colour to the First Troop of *Horse-Guards*, being very well Mounted and Accoutred. The *Lieutenants* lead the *Troop*, when it marched on Foot, with *Half-Pikes*. The *Sergeants* were Armed with *Partisans*, and the *Corporals* with *Halberts*.

The *Granadiers* (Sixty in Number) were Cloathed in *Coats* of *Fine Red Cloth*, Lined and Faced with *Blew Chalon*, and *Buttoned* with *White Mettle* hatched with Silver. On the Brest, Arms, and Facings of the Sleeves, they wore large Loops of Fine *Blew* Worsted, Edged and Tufted with *Black* and *White*.

The Crowns of their *Caps* were raised high to a point, falling back at the top in Form of a Capouch, which were turned up before and behind, Triangular, and Faced with *Blew Plush*; and on the back of the Crowns was a *Roundel* or *Granada-Ball* also of the same.

Their *Cloaks* were of Fine *Red Cloth* Lined with *Blew*, and their *Hats* being black, and Laced about with *Silver*, were buttoned up, and adorned with Knots

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